

Appendix A

Public Participation

The Mancos Conservation District led the project public participation process. The public was involved in the resource needs assessment phase of planning. Input was obtained through the use of public meetings. These meetings were advertised in the local newspaper. Treatment alternatives were also developed during these meetings.

The private and governmental sectors were represented at these meetings. The private sector was represented by several project area landowners. The government representatives included both State and Federal entities. The State government was represented by the Mancos Soil Conservation District. The Federal government was represented by the Natural Resource Conservation Service and the Bureau of Reclamation.

During plan development several individuals and agencies were consulted as part of the public participation efforts. A list of groups and agencies providing substantial assistance follows:

United States Fish and Wildlife Service
United States Bureau of Reclamation
United States Geological Survey
Colorado State Water Conservation Board
Colorado Division of Wildlife
Colorado State Historic Preservation Officer
Mancos Soil Conservation District
Weber Irrigation Ditch Company
Root and Ratliff Irrigation Ditch Company

Date	Type of Meeting	Place	How Meeting Was Advertized	Number Attending
12/14/2000	Annual Meeting	Mancos Cafeteria	Newspaper, Letters to Ditch Co., Postcards to Landowners	72
6/21/2001	Proposed Salinity Area	Mancos School	Newspaper, Letters to Ditch Co., Postcards to Landowners	56
8/22/2001	Salinity Meeting	Grand Junction	Phone calls and letters to Ditch Co. Representatives	5
12/2/2001	Annual Meeting	Mancos Cafeteria	Newspaper, Letters to Ditch Co., Postcards to Landowners	64
2/13/2002	Salinity Meeting	Mancos Rural Water Company	Letters and phone calls to Ditch Co. representatives	15
3/7/2002	Annual Meeting	Mancos Cafeteria	Newspaper, Letters to Ditch Co., Postcards to Landowners	75

12/9/2002	Salinity Meeting	Mancos Rural Water Company	Letters to Ditch Co. representatives	19
12/16/2002	Salinity Meeting	Mancos Rural Water Company	Letters to Ditch Co. representatives and newspaper advertizement	15
1/2/2003	Salinity Meeting	Mancos Rural Water Company	Phone calls to Ditch Co. Representatives	10
2/20/2003	Water Lawyer	Mancos Rural Water Company	Phone calls to Ditch Co. Representatives	10
4/3/2003	Funding Meeting	SWWCD Office	Letters and phone calls to Southwestern Water Conservation District Ditch Co. representatives	10
4/22/2003	Salinity Meeting	Mancos Rural Water Company	Phone calls and letters to Ditch Co. Representatives	12
5/2/2003	Annual Meeting	Mancos Cafeteria	Newspaper, Letters to Ditch Co., Postcards to Landowners	62
5/15/2003	Salinity Meeting		Phone calls and letters to Ditch Co. and other water representatives	7
6/1/2003	Mailing		Mancos District mailed landowner guides, funding applications, newsletter, and letter explaining the project proposal to water users and landowners	409
6/2/2003	Newsletter	Posted at local businesses	Newsletter explaining the project proposal and providing contacts for additional information	
6/23/2003	Watershed Work Group Meeting	Mancos Rural Water Company	Letters to Ditch Co. and other water representatives, newspaper advertizement	20
7/21/2003	Salinity Meeting	Mancos Rural Water Company		10
7/30/2003	Salinity Meeting	Mancos Rural Water Company	Phone calls to representatives, newspaper advertizement	15
8/7/2003	Watershed Work Group Meeting	Mancos Rural Water Company	Phone calls to representatives	12
8/27/2003	Salinity Meeting	Montrose	Letters, emails, phone calls to Ditch Co. representatives	5
12/1/2003	Newsletter	Posted at local businesses	Newsletter explaining the project proposal and providing contacts for additional information	

Public meetings were held on the following dates:

Mancos Soil Conservation District Board Meetings
December 2, 2002
January 2, 2003
February 10, 2003

March 20, 2003
April 14, 2003
May 1, 2003 (Annual Meeting)
May 12, 2003
June 9, 2003
July 11, 2003
Aug 11, 2003
Sept. 15 2003

Salinity Forum Meetings
December 9, 2002
December 16, 2002
April 22, 2003

Natural Resource Conservation Service Meeting
January 8, 2003

Natural Resource Conservation Work Group Meeting – June 23, 2003
Watershed Group Meeting – August 7, 2003
Southwest Water Conservation Board – July 15 & April 3, 2003